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WALK ON THE WILD SIDE

Restraint in tourist activities in hilly, forested areas urged

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The death of a 56-year-old woman in a leopard attack near Shivaganga forest in Nelamangala taluk has led to a debate about the cause of the incident.

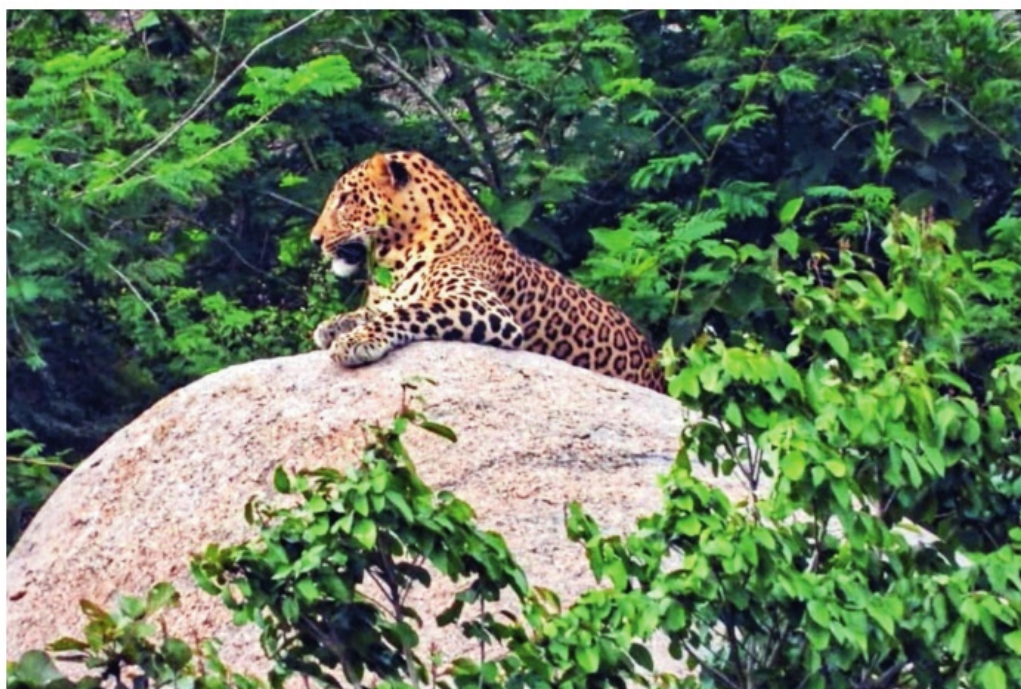
While some wildlife activists and conservationists that BM spoke to say the incident was of accidental death, others point to an increase in tourism and land use changes in the area giving rise to such conflicts.

The incident happened on an agricultural field, far from any tourist spot and near a mud path between the fields and the hillock that livestock use every evening.

"It was a misunderstood killing by the leopard. The animal must have mistaken the lady crouching for livestock," said Dr Sanjay Gubbi, conservation biologist.

Ramesh Belagere, a wildlife researcher at the Foundation of Ecology and Education Development, points to changes in land use patterns in the area over the last few years.

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“People were in sync with the animals’ behaviour (earlier). People today might be aware, but they are not sensitive towards forests and animals

— Sareena Sikkaligar, Deputy Conservator of Forest, Bangalore Rural

Road or parking space or boozers’ point?

Haphazardly parked cabs, mini buses near tech park, cigarette shop at entrance of residential layout causing much trouble



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Around 100 families at Krishnappa Garden have been facing a lot of problems commuting on the road that connects their locality to the Main Road of DRDO Complex to proceed towards HAL Airport or Old Madras Road. The issue is haphazard parking of cabs and mini buses on the road that leaves little space for motorists.

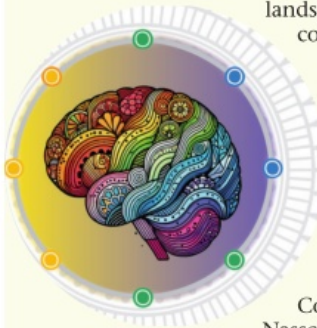
Krishnappa Garden is nestled between Bagmane Tech Park and Bharat Earth Movers Limited (BEML) Estate. The residents have been running pillar to post seeking a solution but the authorities concerned have not done anything to mitigate their woes. The residents complain that some cab drivers are misusing the footpath. They said that they have come across people drinking alcohol or smoking as the area is isolated and police do not bother visit here.

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3 THINGS TO DO

01 Neurodiversity meet

Join in for the 'India Neurodiversity Summit,' a landmark event dedicated to fostering understanding, promoting inclusion, and driving innovation within the neurodiversity landscape presented by a consortium of leading organisations, including SAP LABS India, JP Morgan Chase, Wells Fargo, Capgemini, Thomson Reuters, Nagarro, Cognitivebotics, Nasscom, Christ (Deemed to be University), and Ishanya India Foundation. The summit will bring together industry leaders, neurodiversity advocates, subject matter experts, and neurodivergent individuals to share insights, experiences, and best practices for creating more inclusive workplaces and societies through panel discuss. **Where:** Christ (Deemed to be University), Bannerghatta Road campus; **When:** November 27, 9 am to 1:30 pm



02 Musical bliss

Whether you're a seasoned performer or someone whose heart simply beats to music, this is your moment to shine. One8 Commune is set to host 'One8 Commune Jams,' an evening dedicated to music, creativity, and togetherness. Guests are encouraged to bring their voice, instruments, or just their energy to be part of this vibrant community experience. **Where:** One8 Commune, Lavelle Road; **When:** November 27, 8 pm onwards

03 Role of travel guide

Join in for an engaging session that explores the crucial role of guides in shaping travel experiences, beyond the pages of Jennifer Nandi's new book, 'No Half Measures.' While her book recounts a remarkable journey through the North East with a single British tourist, this event will focus on the broader craft of guiding itself. This session will cover the challenges and rewards of guiding in diverse landscapes, the power of embracing uncertainty, and the importance of cultivating a sense of wonder. **Where:** Bangalore International Centre, Domlur
When: November 27, 6:30 pm



Floral tribute

People pay tribute to Dr BR Ambedkar during Constitution Day celebrations on Tuesday in Bengaluru

Schoolchildren to miss out on millets in meals

Low yields & high costs reportedly deter state government from submitting proposal to seek funds for inclusion of millets in mid-day meal scheme

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School Government school children in Karnataka will not be having millets included in their mid-day meals this year due to the state government's failure to submit a proposal to the central government seeking funds for the inclusion of millets in the scheme. Sources said that despite repeated declarations at various millet fairs about enhancing nutrition for children by integrating millets into midday meals, these promises have remained unfulfilled.

The central government had earlier recommended the use of fortified salt, cooking oil, and millets in the scheme to improve students' intake of essential vitamins, minerals, fatty acids, and antioxidants. A source said, "The state government has not submitted a proposal to the central government for funding millet-based meals. As a result, millets will not be included in the 2024-25 midday meal scheme. According to the guidelines of the PM Poshan Abhiyan, primary school meals must provide 450 calories and 12 grams of protein, while meals for high school students should provide 700 calories and 20 grams of protein."

Millet production vs demand

Millets such as pearl millet (ba-



'Officials from the education department have confirmed that the inclusion of ragi in meals already addresses the nutritional needs of students, eliminating the urgency for other forms of millet integration'

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have reportedly discouraged the state government from submitting the required proposal. Many states, including Karnataka, have reported challenges in sourcing fortified salt, cooking oil, and millets locally. Limited usage and availability in local markets, coupled with high costs, have further complicated large-scale procurement and integration into the meal scheme.

Ragi malt initiative gains traction

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Cops weed out drug peddlers in city

Officials seize illicit drugs worth ₹86.5 lakh, including MDMA, cannabis, in a series of raids across Bengaluru

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Behind the facade of a busy neighbourhood, a sinister network of drug dealers is found to be operating, peddling illicit drugs. Tackling this menace, the police officials have seized Rs 86.5 lakh worth of illicit drugs, including MDMA, cannabis, and ganja, in a series of raids across Bengaluru. This staggering drug haul is exposing the alarming scale of the city's drug problem.

Foreigner arrested: ₹77 lakh worth drugs seized

The Central Crime Branch (CCB) apprehended a foreign national, known for his lavish lifestyle and shadowy dealings, during raids in the city. Acting on a tip-off, on Friday, the CCB Narcotics Control Squad conducted a raid near RR College Road, Railway Gate, under Soladevanahalli Police Station limits. The team apprehended a foreign national involved in selling the banned substance MDMA crystals.

During the operation, authorities seized 515 grams of MDMA crystals, an electronic weighing machine, and a mobile phone, with a total estimated value of Rs 77 lakh. Investigations revealed that the accused, who arrived in India on a business visa in 2017, turned to drug peddling to finance a lavish lifestyle.

He sourced MDMA at lower costs and sold it at inflated prices, ranging



from Rs 12,000 to Rs 15,000 per gram, targeting college students and IT professionals in Bengaluru. The Soladevanahalli Police registered a case. The accused has been remanded to judicial custody.

Police nab local drug peddlers

Meanwhile, local police stations have been actively cracking down on domestic drug dealers. In

Marathahalli, 10.37 kg of cannabis, valued at Rs 7.5 lakh, was seized from a dealer operating out of a seemingly ordinary apartment in the Kariyamma Agrahara area. The accused, who confessed to procuring the drugs at a low cost and selling them at higher prices. The accused was apprehended and remanded to judicial custody.

In another operation, the Sampigehalli police nabbed a drug

peddler who was caught red-handed selling ganja near Neelagiri Top on the main road within their jurisdiction. The police seized 4 kg of ganja, worth Rs 2 lakh.

During interrogation, the accused admitted to having been procuring ganja from West Bengal at a low cost and reselling it locally for profit. The accused was presented before the court and has been remanded to judicial custody.

2 men nabbed for carrying pistols, live ammunition

Two labourers from Bihar were arrested by Hulimavu police during a routine vehicle check on NICE Road on Wednesday evening. The police recovered two country-made 9mm calibre pistols and four live cartridges from a bag they were carrying.

At around 8:30 pm, Vidya Sahani (35) and his elder brother, Prem Sahani (41), were intercepted by the police while riding a two-wheeler near Koppa Begur Road. When asked to show their vehicle documents, the duo appeared nervous, prompting the officers to search their bag.

Upon further questioning, it was found that Vidya was a habitual offender with a criminal history in Bihar, including involvement in two cases each of arms smuggling and robbery. He had jumped bail and was seeking refuge with his brother Prem, a plumber who has been living in the city for the past 15 years.

According to the police, Vidya had been sourcing weapons from his contacts in Bihar and was allegedly looking for buyers to sell them in the city. Both the individuals have been booked under the Arms Act and remanded to judicial custody. **BMB**

BDA officials file complaint against man, his son over verbal abuse

Bengaluru Development Authority (BDA) officials, led by Assistant Executive Engineer Vasudeva Murthy, have filed a police complaint against a man and his son for allegedly threatening and verbally abusing them during a demolition drive at OMBR Layout, Ramamurthy Nagar, on Friday.

The officials were attempting to demolish a residential structure constructed on a BDA site when the accused, identified as Prabhakara Reddy, his son Abilash, and their associate Muthuraj, allegedly disrupted the operation.

Despite multiple oral instructions to halt the construction and an official demolition order, the accused reportedly resisted, creating a ruckus and intimidating the officials. Based on Murthy's complaint, the Ramamurthy Nagar police registered a case against Reddy, Abilash, and Muthuraj.

Meanwhile, Reddy filed a counter-complaint on Thursday, accusing BDA officials of trespassing on his property and causing damage. Reddy claimed that the site in question belonged to him and that the ownership dispute is pending in court.

He alleged that the officials, without proper authorisation, entered his property with a JCB and demolished part of his structure. When he confronted the officials, he claimed they threatened and verbally abused him.

Additionally, allegations were raised against Banaswadi ACP Umashankar for obstructing a legally sanctioned demolition. In a video that is going viral, ACP Umashankar is seen slapping the JCB driver who was hired for the demolition work and is also seen verbally abusing the officials. **BMB**

2 held in chain snatching, house burglary cases

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The city police have arrested two individuals involved in a viral video of a chain-snatching incident on October 11. The accused, identified as Vasanth Raju (40) and Ateequlla (27), were arrested near Kanteerava Studio, Nandini Layout.

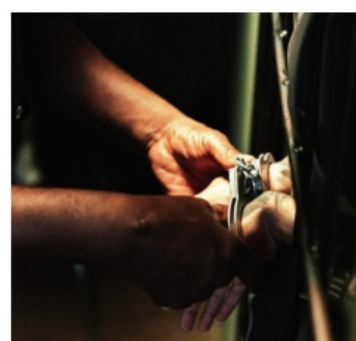
Further investigation revealed the duo's involvement in multiple thefts, including a house burglary in Davangere and two robbery cases under the Nandini Layout Police Station. The police have seized a total of 113 grams of gold jewellery, Rs 5,000 in cash, and a two-wheeler in connection with multiple criminal activities, totally valued at around Rs 8.5 lakh.

According to the complaint filed

at the Nandini Layout Police Station by the said 58-year-old woman residing in Shankar Nagar, a thief attempted to steal her gold chain while she was attending a bhajan program at the Ganesha Temple in Shankar Nagar on October 11. It was noted that the thief managed to get away with 20 grams from the woman's 70-gram gold chain.

2 domestic workers held in 2 separate burglary cases

A domestic worker was arrested for stealing gold jewellery worth approximately Rs 7 lakh from her employer's residence in Hulimavu. According to the complainant, a woman named Rukmini was employed as a housemaid at their residence and was given a separate room in the home. Upon noticing missing gold jewellery, a complaint



was registered at the Hulimavu Police Station on November 4, with the maid suspected of the theft.

Upon investigation, Rukmini confessed to stealing the jewellery, revealing that she had hidden the stolen items under her bed and later sold them at pawn shops in Byatarayanapura and Mysuru. A total of 123 grams of gold jewellery

was recovered from multiple locations: 11 grams from a pawn shop in Byatarayanapura, 93 grams from beneath the bed in the accused's room, and 19 grams from a pawn shop in Mysuru.

In a separate case, a domestic worker has been arrested for stealing jewellery worth Rs 25 lakh from her employer's residence in Vivek Nagar. The complainant filed a theft report at the Vivek Nagar Police Station on November 15, naming the live-in maid as the prime suspect.

Upon investigation, Shanti, the maid, confessed to stealing 229 grams of gold jewellery, 21.41 grams of diamond jewellery, and 37.28 grams of silver jewellery, which she later sold to a pawn shop owner in Sampangi Rama Nagar. The police seized the stolen items from the shop. The accused was released on bail.

Yellow Line set to begin with limited capacity

Namma Metro's Yellow Line is set for January 2025, facing delays due to train set shortage; public concerns grow over lack of pedestrian pathway at Bommasandra station

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The long-delayed Yellow Line of Namma Metro is set to begin commercial operations by late January 2025, with three trains running initially. One train set will join the line next month, followed by another in January, according to officials. Although civil, electrical, and signalling works for the line have been completed, the delay in commercial services is due to a shortage of train sets. Titagarh Wagons, the supplier, has been delayed in delivering the required trains. The company has assured that one set of six coaches will be handed over to BMRCL (Bangalore Metro Rail Corporation Limited) in December and another set in January, totalling 18 coaches.

A BMRCL official said, "Currently, trial runs are being conducted on the line using a single six-coach train. After the arrival of two additional trains from Titagarh, a safety inspection by the Commissioner of Railway Safety (CRS) is expected to take place by late December or early January. Initially, the line will operate with three trains running at intervals of 30 minutes. BMRCL plans to increase the number of trips



Bengaluru Metro has begun trial runs on Yellow Line

once all train sets are delivered. By August 2025, Titagarh is expected to supply a total of 15 six-coach trains. These additional trains will enable higher service frequency on the Yellow Line. The 18.82 km Yellow Line, running between RV Road and Bommasandra, comprises 16 stations. It features driverless trains and has received technical approvals for signalling, traction, and braking systems from the Railway Safety Board."

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Train supply challenges

An official added, "Titagarh Wagons is contracted to supply a total of 36 trains to Namma Metro. So far, only one train set (six coaches) has been delivered. Of the remaining 35 trains, one is being imported from

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China, while the remaining 34 will be manufactured at the company's facility in West Bengal. Out of the 216 coaches to be delivered, 126 are allocated to the Purple and Green Lines, while 90 are designated for the Yellow Line."

Bommasandra station lacks pedestrian pathway

Sources said that among all stations on the Yellow Line, Bommasandra station lacks a pedestrian pathway, despite being a critical endpoint. The station serves thousands of workers travelling to Jigani and Bommasandra industrial areas, as well as passengers commuting to Chandapura and Attibele. Public demand for a pedestrian pathway at Bommasandra station has been growing, citing the need for better access and as the station is expected to witness increased footfall. BMRCL has been urged to address this issue on a need basis.

Proximity to IT hubs drives surge in B'luru's rental demand

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While rentals are stabilising across Bangalore, Banashankari, Krishnarajapura, and Ramamurthy Nagar are experiencing over 20% rent inflation. With many companies scrapping their WFH (Work from Home) policies, and the rising Bangalore traffic there is a notable influx of professionals looking for homes close to their workplaces. This has fueled a higher demand for rental properties, pushing rent prices up, especially in areas with easy access to major business hubs. Localities along the metro corridors, particularly the Purple Line, have seen some of the steepest increases. Pankaj, who recently rented a flat in Krishnarajapura, now enjoys the convenience of daily metro commutes, making these neighbourhoods more appealing to professionals. This seamless connectivity, along with improved road infrastructure around Krishnarajapura and Ramamurthy Nagar, has boosted accessibility, driving further demand.

One prominent example is a 2BHK flat in Banashankari, which was rented for 30,000 a few months ago but now commands nearly 40,000 due to its proximity to key IT hubs. As more employees return to their offices, these areas are becoming even more desirable, with limited new constructions in sight. As a result, rent inflation is expected to continue rising.

Banashankari is located near key IT hubs like Electronics City, Bannerghatta Road, and the Outer Ring Road (ORR). Manyata Technologies is just 2.8 km from Banashankari, making it a preferred location for tech workers seeking rental accommodations. KR Puram is close to International Tech Park Bangalore corridors (7.9 km), which are home to many global IT companies. Ramamurthy Nagar is situated close to the IT hubs of KR Puram, Whitefield, and the ORR (Outer Ring Road). It is becoming a preferred location for professionals working in these tech corridors due to the increasing connectivity. With Bangalore's unavoidable traffic and the ongoing shortage of available rental properties in these hotspots, property owners and



Rents have risen 70% since COVID, driven by demand near IT hubs. Limited construction and traffic congestion push rental prices higher

investors are seeing strong returns, while prospective renters are finding themselves facing higher prices than ever before.

Amit Agarwal, CEO & Co-Founder, NoBroker said, "Over the past few months, we've observed a significant shift in Bangalore's rental market, particularly in localities like Banashankari, KR Puram,

and Ramamurthy Nagar, where rents have surged by over 20%. In Banashankari, the average rent for a 2BHK flat now ranges between Rs.24,000 and Rs.26,000, reflecting a sharp 33% increase compared to last year's Rs.18,000 average. Similarly, in KR Puram, the average rent for a 2BHK stands at Rs.20,000–Rs.22,000 over Rs.14,500 last year, while Ramamurthy Nagar has witnessed a comparable jump, with rents rising to Rs.24,000–Rs.27,000 over Rs.17,200. While rents are stabilising across the city now, some areas continue to outperform the general trend."

Since COVID, the rents of these areas have increased by 70%. "These sharp increases underscore the mounting demand for rental properties across the city. Proximity to major IT hubs like Whitefield, ORR, and Electronics City has further solidified these areas as hotspots for rental growth. As city traffic worsens and new constructions remain scarce, property owners in these neighbourhoods continue to benefit from exceptional rental returns, while renters are left to grapple with rising prices," Agarwal added.

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Road obstruction

KR Puram



The KR Puram railway station's back gate on Vijayapura Road is often blocked by parked autos, two-wheelers, and vendors.

Pothole woes

Nehru Nagar



The Nehru Nagar road near Yadav College, leading to Nehru Circle, is riddled with potholes and nearly impassable.

Trash trouble

RT Nagar



Garbage dumping on 12th Cross, 1st Block, RT Nagar, has created an eyesore.

Darshan's defence cites inconsistencies in investigation

In a bail hearing at the Karnataka High Court for the Renukaswamy Murder case, Kannada actor Darshan Thoogudeepa Srinivas's defence presented arguments characterising the deceased as disruptive to society, citing inappropriate messaging behaviour.

"Messages were shared not only to me but several women. I am certainly not saying that this can be the reason for his death...A man (deceased) who has no respect, no regard, does not want to respect woman in society, a lawless person, has been glorified, made a national hero in the case while degrading my image in the society," submitted Senior Advocate CV Nagesh, representing Darshan.

Nagesh highlighted investigative inconsistencies, noting issues with the crime scene documentation. He pointed out that neither the inquest nor post-mortem was conducted until June 11, although the body was discovered on June 9. The defence questioned the medical assessment, stating the time of death was determined solely through photographs.

Challenging the evidence collection, Nagesh questioned the delayed recovery of items from the crime scene on June 12. The hearing is scheduled to continue on Thursday.

HC critiques magistrates

The Karnataka High Court has emphasised that Magistrate courts must exercise proper judgement whilst

authorising police investigations into non-cognizable offences, rather than issuing lengthy orders without proper consideration.

Justice M Nagaprasanna, presiding over a single judge bench, granted a petition by Krishnappa MT and another, nullifying proceedings against them under sections 34 and 504 of the Indian Penal Code. The court stated, "It is the application of mind that is necessary for law and not application of ink; it is not the flow of ink on the paper that is necessary for law, but the flow of content depicting such application of mind."

The case originated from a complaint by Vishwanath, who alleged that in 2020, post-elections, the pe-

titioners, upon losing, attempted to diminish the party's reputation through derogatory statements and intimidation. The police sought the Magistrate's permission to register a non-cognizable offence, which was granted, leading to summons being issued to the petitioners.

HC backs private landowners' claim

The Karnataka High Court challenged the State government's opposition to a survey's findings, which was conducted by its authorities under court orders. The survey revealed that 20 acres of disputed private lands were not part of government land adjacent to Turahalli forest for forestland classification. The court



noted, "It would be unacceptable for the State to argue against its survey contending that the survey is not properly done," highlighting that the 2022 court-ordered survey report clearly showed no forestland encroachment. Justice M Nagaprasanna ruled in favour of D Muniraju and his brothers, confirming their ownership of a 20-acre plot in Mysandara village, Kengeri hobli. —BMB

Heart beats strong: State ranks 2nd in transplants

K'taka performs 35 organ transplants, outpacing Maharashtra and Gujarat, backed by robust healthcare and strong donor consent guidelines

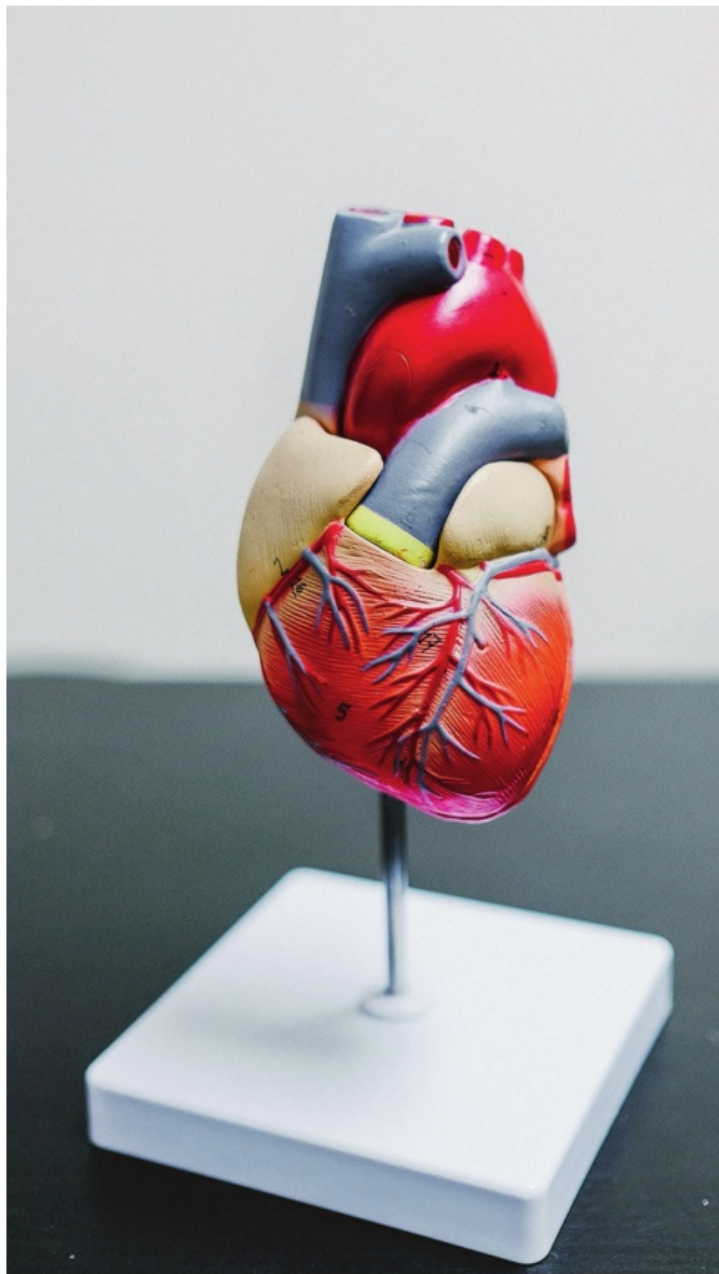
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Karnataka stands as the second leading state in heart transplants, with a total of 35 procedures performed. This places Karnataka ahead of other major states such as Maharashtra, which has conducted 33 transplants, and Gujarat, with 29. Karnataka's achievement in performing a significant number of heart transplants highlights the state's advanced healthcare infrastructure and commitment to providing critical medical care. By surpassing states like Telangana (15 transplants) and Delhi NCR (14 transplants), Karnataka demonstrates its role as a key player in organ transplantation in India, ranking second after Tamil Nadu, which leads with 70 transplants.

An official said, "Organ donation can be classified into two main types: living organ donation and deceased organ donation. In living organ donation, individuals over the age of 18 can voluntarily donate organs for therapeutic purposes within the bounds of the law. This type of donation typically involves donating one kidney (as the other kidney can still maintain the body's functions) or a part of the liver, which can regenerate after a period."

Deceased organ donation, on the other hand, allows individuals to donate multiple organs and



tissues after brain stem or cardiac death, regardless of their age. The process requires consent from a near relative or someone lawfully in possession of the body is required. If the deceased donor is under 18, a parent or an authorised relative

must provide consent. The organs and tissues that can be donated include the lungs, heart, liver, pancreas, kidneys, small intestine, cornea, skin, heart valves, bone, cartilage, and ligaments. It is crucial to transplant these organs as quickly

as possible for optimal outcomes, often transporting them from retrieval centres to transplant hospitals using preservative solutions to maintain organ viability and ensure successful transplants.

Brain stem death (BDS) occurs when the brain stem, responsible for controlling consciousness and breathing, irreversibly ceases to function. Unlike coma, where a patient is unconscious but may wake up and breathe spontaneously, brain-dead patients have no chance of regaining consciousness or breathing on their own. During this period, organs can be retrieved

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—Official

with consent from close relatives. Living organ donation includes several types of donors: near-related donors (such as spouses, parents, children, siblings, grandparents, and grandchildren), altruistic donors (unrelated individuals), and swap donors (paired exchange).

The timeframe for transplanting organs varies, with hearts requiring 4-6 hours, lungs 4-8 hours, intestines 6-10 hours, liver 12-15 hours, pancreas 12-14 hours, and kidneys 24-48 hours. Transplants can treat several end-stage diseases, including heart, lung, kidney, and liver failure; corneal blindness; valvular heart disease; severe burns; and traumatic amputation of hands (hand transplants). Organ retrieval is conducted in an operating theatre, with no disfigurement, as the body is carefully sutured after the procedure, similar to any other surgery. "It is important to note that human organs cannot be bought or sold. Individuals interested in pledging their organs can do so by signing up as a donor at www.notto.mohfw.gov.in", an official added.

IN BRIEF

Woman's death: Preplanned murder?

A young woman was found dead at a service apartment in Indiranagar on Tuesday morning. The deceased, Maya Gogoi Deka, a 19-year-old native of Guwahati, Assam, was discovered lifeless in Room 101 of The Royal Living Apartments, where she had been staying for three days.

On Tuesday, the 64-year-old owner of The Royal Living Service Apartment alerted the police after discovering the incident. This prompted the registration of Crime Number 305/2024 under Sections 103 and 238 of the BNS. According to police reports, the staff had gone to check whether the guest was checking out, as repeated attempts to reach the deceased through the doorbell went unanswered. Upon attempting to open the door using a spare key, they found the lifeless body of 19-year-old Maya Gogoi Deka lying on the bed, with multiple stabs on her chest and inflicted head injuries.

Aarav Hanoy (21), a resident of HSR layout and a native of Kannur, Kerala, had been residing in the Royal Living Apartments since November 23. His entry and exit timings were precisely recorded; he checked in at 12:28 pm and departed at 8:19 am on the day of the incident. Aarav, a student counselling executive at an Education institution in HSR Layout, is now the prime suspect and has launched a manhunt.

Preliminary Investigations reveal that Aarav and Maya had been in the room together for three days. The exact nature of their relationship remains unclear, but it's also suspected that they knew each other from the past 6 months as they worked together in a company. Deputy Commissioner of Police (DCP-East) D Devaraja said that it appears to be a pre-planned murder. The suspect reportedly ordered a nylon rope through an online platform and had brought a knife to the apartment. Further investigations are underway.

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Children's parliament held, CM absent again

Experts opine that children's parliament should not be organised for name sake and demands have to be met

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Around 60 children from across the state attended the Children's Parliament on Monday to draw the attention of the authorities on various issues. Chief Minister Siddaramaiah was supposed to interact with children at Vidhana Soudha but could not turn up due to his busy schedule. This counts as the second time the Chief Minister skipped Children's Parliament.

Children have highlighted the problems in rural areas and sought authorities to take suitable measures for the welfare of children. Many child-related issues, including child trafficking, child marriages, gram panchayats, and children from Devadasi families, were highlighted during the meeting held at Vidhana Soudha.

"I am from a Devadasi family. I am not able to avail scholarship because I am not able to fill up the details on my father. Students have to fill out the application form for scholarships. I did not submit the application because I



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do not know the name of my father. I want the government to remove the norm of mentioning a father's name on the application form. It is affecting many children from Devadasi families. I hope the government will consider my demand," said K Indu, II PU student from Kudligi.

Demanding the government to curb child marriages and sexual harassment of girls in rural areas, Chandrapriya BS, an SSLC student from Mandya, said that many girls are suffering due to rampant child marriages in rural areas. "My friend got married at the age of 17 and became pregnant at 18. She has ruined her future by agreeing to marry at an early age. According to media reports, around 40 child marriages took place in Mandya," said Chandrapriya.

Emphasising the need of facilitating separate and exclusive village panchayat meetings for children in rural areas, Puneeth Kumar, another SSLC student from Vijayapura, said that many village panchayats failed to conduct meetings exclusively to discuss children-related issues. "Though some village panchayats organise meetings to discuss children's prob-

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— Puneeth Kumar, SSLC student

lems, many village panchayats have no awareness of children's rights. Though it is mandatory for organising village panchayat meets for children, the authorities failed to direct village panchayats to organise meetings once every three months or six months," Kumar said.

Yashwanth Y, an SSLC student from Mysuru, demanded the authorities strengthen child protection committees in rural areas. "I want the authorities to take measures to establish child protection committees to prevent child trafficking in rural areas. The authorities have to focus on the welfare of children in rural areas. They have to take measures to stop the menace of child labour," Yashwanth said.

Meanwhile, Nagasimha G Rao

of the Child Rights Trust said the government has to take initiative to organise the children's parliament every year. "The government has to consider the Children's Parliament as its programme and the authorities themselves should make preparations to organise the children's parliament," said Rao.

Women and Child Rights advocate Anjali Ramanna, who was the guest at the children's parliament, opined that the authorities should not organise the children's parliament perfunctorily or for the namesake. "I do not know how many demands raised during the children's parliament held last are met by the authorities. I am of the opinion that the government should establish a separate department to discuss and fix children's problems in the state," Ramanna said. Children's Parliament is a programme which allows children to be a part of political discussions revolving around policy making, reforms, parliamentary activities, education, employment and more.

The first Children's Parliament was organised on occasion of Children's Day, i.e. November 14, in 2012 at Vidhana Soudha with Sadananda Gowda being the then Chief Minister.

Prestige Elysian celebrates Kannada Rajyotsava

Prestige Elysian apartments came alive with the vibrant spirit of Kannada Rajyotsava, celebrating Karnataka's rich heritage and culture. The festivities were held throughout November, with people from all states and cultures participating enthusiastically. The grand celebrations on November 23 were graced by Dr CN Manjunath, Member of Parliament, whose presence added significance to the event. In his address, Manjunath highlighted the diversity and openness of Kannadigas, praising the way Karnataka, especially Bengaluru, is propelling India's economic growth. The day featured cultural performances, including traditional Dollu Kunitha, Huli Kunitha, and Yakshagana, alongside enthralling dance and singing performances by residents.

— BMB



MUDA to CBI hearing adjourned

The Karnataka High Court on Tuesday adjourned till December 10 the hearing on the plea seeking transfer of the investigation into the MUDA site allotment scam to the CBI. The plea was filed by activist Snehamayi Krishna, doubting the credibility of the Lokayukta investigation into the matter. The petitioner told PTI that he approached the HC saying he has no faith in the Lokayukta police and hence the case should be handed over to the CBI. In the MUDA case, it is alleged that compensatory sites were allotted to Chief Minister Siddaramaiah's wife in an upmarket area in Mysuru, which had higher property value as compared to the location of her land, which had been "acquired" by the MUDA. The Karnataka Lokayukta police and the Enforcement Directorate have launched an investigation into the 'scam.' The CM has denied any wrongdoing in the alleged scam.

— PTI

IN THE COURT OF THE HON'BLE VIII ADDITIONAL CITY CIVIL JUDGE, AT BANGALURU (CCH-15)
O.S.NO.5525/2024

Between: Sri. K. Raghavendra S/o. Late D. Krishnamurthy Aged about 60 years Residing at No. 163, VHBCL Layout, West of Chord Road, Mahalakshmi Puram Post, Bengaluru-560 086. Plaintiff
And: Sri. Yashwanth Y. S/o. Sri. Visweswara Rao Aged Major, Residing at No.757/B, Hiranandani, 100 ft Road, HAL 2nd Stage, Indiranagar, Bengaluru-560 038. Defendant

SUMMONS/NOTICE TO DEFENDANT U/O 5 RULE 20 OF CPC

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Trade unions protest over pressing labour and socio-economic issues

A massive protest was held on Tuesday as workers' unions from across the country gathered at Freedom Park, Bengaluru, to demand solutions to pressing labour and socio-economic issues. The demonstration, organised by leading unions such as the Indian National Trade Union Congress (INTUC), All India Trade Union Congress (AITUC), Centre of Indian Trade Unions (CITU), Hind Mazdoor Sabha (HMS), All India United Trade Union Centre (AIUTUC), Trade Union Coordination Centre (TUCC), All India Central Council of Trade Unions (AICCTU), and others, is part of a nationwide movement advocating for workers' rights and social justice.

One of the central demands of the protest is the reversal of privatisation policies that have affected public sec-

tor enterprises. The unions argue that these policies undermine the welfare of workers and jeopardise the country's economic stability. Additionally, they are calling for the implementation of a minimum wage formula that accounts for the cost of living (C2) plus 50%, ensuring fair compensation for labourers across the country.

Income security for workers is another critical issue being highlighted. The unions are demanding unemployment benefits of Rs 10,000 per month and pensions of Rs 35,000, ensuring a safety net for workers in both organised and unorganised sectors. Furthermore, the protest emphasises the need for universal social security, including free access to healthcare, education, and public welfare services. The organisers have also raised con-



cerns about the lack of urban employment schemes, urging the government to expand rural job programmes like the Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (MGNREGA) to urban areas. They propose increasing daily wages under the scheme to Rs 600 and extending the number of workdays to 200 annually, providing consistent income to rural and urban labourers.

Another key issue is the exploitation of contractual labour. The unions demand the elimination of contractual jobs in government positions and a shift toward permanent employment to ensure job security. In addition, they seek stronger safeguards for agricultural workers, including fair price guarantees and adequate compensation for their efforts.

Environmental concerns also feature prominently in the protest agenda. The unions are urging the government to address the adverse impacts of deforestation and unsustainable industrial practices, which pose significant health and environmental risks.

This protest is part of a larger movement spearheaded by the Joint Council of Trade Unions (JCTU) and supported by the Samyukta Kisan Morcha (SKM).



Australian celebrity and "public relations maven" Roxy Jacenko has said she regrets turning her daughter, Pixie Curtis, into a child social media influencer.

The 13-year-old's Instagram account had long been used by her mother to generate income via brand sponsorships and online businesses such as Pixie's Bows and Pixie's Toys. But Jacenko is now saying the money wasn't worth the negative effects of Pixie's public persona, which included being bullied at school.

This admission, along with the government's decision to ban social media for under-16s, is a timely reminder for parents to reflect on how they share images of their own children online – even for those of us who don't intend to make our children influencers.

Parents' views on 'sharenting'

A 2019 survey of 613 Australian parents (mostly mothers) found 15% posted images of their children to Facebook at least once a week, while 13% posted at least weekly to Instagram. Only 20% said they never shared images to Facebook, and 37% never shared them to Instagram.

Research has found parents who choose to not share images of their children are often driven by concerns over privacy and future consequences.

Parent "influencers", however, remain much more likely to do this – and are often unaware of the potential risks. Nonetheless, a number of them are now pushing back against the practice and offering alternatives to posting images of one's children online.

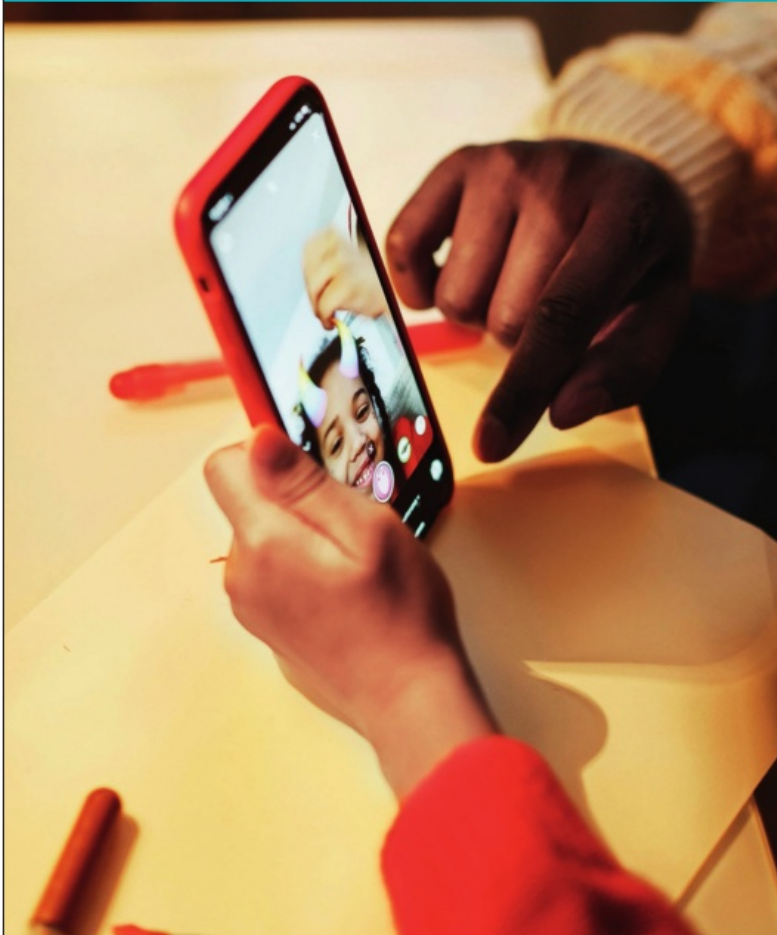
According to research by one of us (Katrin), many Australian parents understand their children's images and details (such as name, address and school) can be considered sensitive information.

They associate this identifiable information with risks posed by bad actors (such as paedophiles) who could identify and follow their children both online and offline. These concerns are further fuelled by media reports of such incidents.

Many parents will use strategies to minimise risk, such as by blurring children's faces in online posts, or covering them with emojis. They may also crop

NO CHILD'S PLAY

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the image, or have the child turn away from the camera to protect their identity.

That said, some people may still be able to identify the child in question, such as by feeding the image through an online image search and certain AI tools. An image's metadata may also include details such as where and when a photo was taken, making it easier to trace.

Balancing risks with benefits

Although the concerns are clear, sharing images of one's children in online spaces can also have many benefits for families.

By reducing the information they share about their kids, parents may also miss out on opportunities to gain social support from peers and celebrate major milestones in their kids'

lives. After all, many families use social media platforms as digital family albums and tools to archive key memories.

Katrin's research also found that families – particularly those from diverse cultural backgrounds – may also use these platforms to maintain important connections with loved ones living overseas.

Similarly, parents from non-traditional family structures, such as same-sex parents, often depend on social media as important spaces to proudly share, advocate for and normalise their experience of family life.

What to ask yourself before you post

Despite the move to ban social media for children under 16, it doesn't look like Australia will follow France's lead in curtailing sharenting through legislation

such as a children's image rights law.

In France, this law aims to tackle the risks of sharenting by enshrining children's right to privacy. It means protecting children's privacy is among a parents' legal duty – and that children legally need to be consulted.

Nonetheless, there are several things parents can consider before they share their child's data, including images and video. For instance, they can:

- get consent from a child (if they are old enough) before posting about them
 - share carefully. Try sharing less through public avenues, or be more mindful of your audience. Ensure identifiable information such as school logos are not featured in images. You can even remove a photo's metadata
 - review the policies and practices of institutions your child may be part of. Check if they ask for children's consent before taking video or photographic images – as well as options for opting out
 - have a conversation with your child, partner and other family members (such as grandparents) about an approach that feels comfortable when it comes to sharing your child's images. You may ask friends and family members to reduce unnecessary sharing
 - consciously select password-protected apps or online platforms to share photos with family and friends, rather than social media
 - regularly review each platform's provided privacy settings, and purposefully use these features. For example, you may set your Facebook account to "private", or only participate in private Facebook groups.
- Posting content online comes with a range of risks, some of which remain unknown in the face of developing technologies. But it can also have immeasurable benefits. It's important all family members consider these nuances and share the responsibility of making balanced, informed decisions about their online practices.

(By Catherine Jane Archer, Giselle Woodley, Edith Cowan University and Katrin Langton, Deakin University, The Conversation)



All you need to know about...

Weight loss, diabetes drugs

Protects kidney

The popular glucagon-like peptide-1 (GLP-1) receptor agonists known to help in weight loss as well as manage blood sugar can also protect the kidneys, regardless of diabetes status, finds a study led by an Indian-origin researcher.

Originally developed to treat diabetes, GLP-1 receptor agonists have significant benefits in people with and without diabetes, according to the study published in The Lancet Diabetes & Endocrinology.

Stimulates insulin

The drug stimulates insulin production and lowers blood sugar levels by mimicking the action of a hormone called glucagon-like peptide 1. It also slows down digestion, increases feelings of fullness, and reduces hunger to aid in weight loss.

Chronic kidney disease

Researchers from the George Institute for Global Health explored to understand the impact of GLP-1 receptor agonists on chronic kidney disease (CKD) – estimated to affect one in 10 people worldwide or about 850 million people. They conducted a meta-analysis of 11 large-scale clinical trials of GLP-1 receptor agonists involving a total of 85,373 people. This included 67,769 people with Type 2 diabetes, while 17,604 people were overweight or obese and had cardiovascular disease but not diabetes. The team probed seven different GLP-1 receptor agonists, including semaglutide (also known as Ozempic or Wegovy), dulaglutide (Trulicity), and liraglutide (Victoza). The team found that GLP-1 receptor agonists decreased the risk of kidney failure by 16 per cent compared to placebo. The estimated glomerular filtration rate – a measure of how much blood the kidneys filter and reflects the rate of worsening of kidney function also declined by 22 per cent. Together, the GLP-1 receptor agonists reduced the risk of kidney failure, worsening kidney function, and death due to kidney disease by 19 per cent, the researchers said. —IANS

MIRRORLIGHTS

5-minute brain scan could reveal risk of psychosis in patient: Study

A "single five-minute" brain scan could help predict individuals at risk of experiencing psychosis, according to a study.

Brain scans of psychosis patients revealed that regions processing information from senses were weakly connected to each other and strongly connected to the thalamus – which acts as a "relay station" for sensory and movement information to the brain.

"A single five-minute scan could

potentially improve our ability to predict which at-risk individuals will transition to a psychotic disorder, which in turn could allow for more timely treatments or interventions," author Brian Keane, an assistant professor of neuroscience at the University of Rochester, said.

Researchers analysed MRI scans from 159 participants, including 105 who developed a psychotic disorder up to five years prior to testing.

A psychotic disorder – schizophrenia, manic phase of bipolar disorder – involves losing touch with reality and developing symptoms such as hallucinations.

The differences in the brains of psychotic and non-psychotic patients were confined to two networks – the somatomotor network, responsible for pre-processing bodily movement and sensations, and the visual one, which creates representations of objects, faces, and complex fea-

tures, the researchers found.

By combining the dysconnectivity – or abnormal brain connectivity – patterns across these two networks allowed the researchers to create a "somato-visual" biomarker. 'Somato-' is a prefix meaning 'body'.

Detecting the biomarker in brain scans could help diagnose the psychiatric condition before the first symptom emerged, they said. Currently, psychosis is diagnosed through an interview between a mental health professional and patient. —PTI

Forest dept focused on current operation

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region and agricultural fields are declining. Moreover, the temple at the top of the hillock attracts a lot of devotees. The hillock is also considered a tourist spot and many trekkers climb it as well. The place is also of historical significance and thus the footfall is high. These activities should be controlled to some extent. Tourism has also led to many shops in the area, which in turn is causing plastic pollution and leading to garbage issues," said Belagere.

However, everybody appears to be on the same page regarding the fate of the leopard involved in the incident -- capture the animal and keep it in lifetime captivity to keep the peace and to ensure social tolerance of such incidents.

"If both DNA samples match, my suggestion is not to release the leopard in the wild. It is not the issue of individual animal rights but of the larger interest of wildlife conservation. If released, and the animal or any other big cat in the area ends up killing another human being, locals will be at odds with all leopards. They will resort to solutions such as poisoning the animals," added Dr Gubbi.

Experts also opine that although locals' traditional tolerance of such incidents is fading, the existing social tolerance towards these incidents should not be tested, and resorting to pragmatic steps is the need of the hour. Dr. Gubbi underscores an incident from the



Tumakuru district in 2020-21 when a woman was killed by a leopard.

"We suggested the leopard has to be removed from that population. However, some animal rights experts objected, and that animal went on to kill five more people. That incident led to the capture of 29 leopards from the wild," recalled Dr Gubbi.

Currently focused on capture operation: KFD

Forest Department officials that BM spoke to said that the department is currently concentrating on the ongoing operation.

"We might have to look at the carrying capacity of the area. However, any such analysis or assessment will be taken up only after the current operation is over," said a senior KFD official.

The department however has cancelled a Jatra to the temple on the hilltop, scheduled on one of these days to ensure the safety of the people.

Officials say while it is a deemed forest patch, the area is intact and without any encroachment. However, there are indeed some layouts springing up around the forest patch.

"This is a perfect habitat and corridor for the leopards. So many animals move around using this forest patch. As far as tourism and footfall are concerned, people visiting the temple are not new. Devotees have been going to the hilltop for many years. However, then people were more sensitive towards the forest and wildlife. They were in sync with the animals' behaviour. People today might be aware, but they are not sensitive towards forests and animals," said Sareena Sikkaligar, Deputy Conservator of Forest, Bangalore Rural.

Second leopard caught on Tuesday

Officials said that they have caught another leopard on Tuesday morning. The animal trapped is an eight-year-old female. The department is collecting blood samples to run a DNA analysis on her as well.

Krishnappa Garden residents want their road back

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"I have complained to the police and the BBMP. Many people, including drivers and those working at the tech park, gather at a shop near the entrance of our locality during the peak hours. They smoke cigarettes near the shop causing inconvenience and nuisance to the residents. Women are not able to walk on the road due to this nuisance," said Krishnappa Garden Residents Association president N Devaraju.

He said there is a nursery just a few 100 metres away from the shop selling cigarettes.

"The scene of people smoking will convey a wrong message to the children. They throw cigarette butts on the road. It is not only ruining their health but also polluting the environment," he said.

Bangalore Mirror published a story -- Clutter out of control -- on July 12, 2023 narrating how Krishnappa Garden cannot breathe easy due to vehicles from the tech park parked all over the road and young-

sters making the area a hub for smoking/drinking. The then Inspector of Byappanahalli Police Station had assured tough action against drunkards and those creating nuisance but the misuse continues.

A resident, on the condition of anonymity, said that she is disappointed about the apathy of the authorities either to shut down the shop selling cigarettes or preventing people from smoking at public places.

"I am worried about the safety of residents as the road is being used as a hub for smoking cigarettes and drinking liquor. We also saw some people doing drugs here as they consider it safe.

The cab drivers are throwing garbage, including plastic, into the adjacent lake. Police are not bothered to keep a vigil, while the BBMP has forgotten the existence of the footpath along the road where one can find empty liquor bottles and a variety of sachets," the resident said.

Jeevan Bhima Nagar Traffic Police Inspector assured BM that parking of vehicles on the road would be regulated.

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Projects under review in India, Sri Lanka after US authorities' bribery charge

Adani Group's troubles deepened on Tuesday as two more credit rating agencies cut their outlook for the Indian conglomerate, whose billionaire founder Gautam Adani has been charged by US authorities over an alleged \$265 million bribery scheme.

The US indictments' widening fallout comes after S&P on Friday put Adani Ports, Adani Green Energy and Adani Electricity on a downgrade warning and as partners reviewed individual projects involving the group.

Andhra Pradesh is likely to suspend a power purchase deal linked to the group, two state government sources said, in what would be the first such move by an Indian state government after the U.S. charges over solar power-supply contracts.

Most of the alleged bribes were paid to a government official to get Andhra Pradesh's state electricity distribution companies to agree to purchase power, the US indictment said.

The allegations are having a knock-on impact across the Adani empire as Moody's Ratings lowered its outlook for seven Adani firms, including Adani Ports and Adani Green, to negative from stable, saying the U.S. indictments will likely weaken the group's access to funding and increase its capital costs.

Ratings agency Fitch earlier put some Adani Group bonds on watch for a possible downgrade, also citing the U.S. indictment, while Sri Lanka said it was reviewing any potential fallout for the Indian group's projects in the neighbouring island nation.

A US agency that agreed to lend more than \$550 million to a Sri Lankan port development said on Sunday it was reviewing the impact of the bribery accusations against Adani, his nephew Sagar Adani and six others over the alleged scheme to bribe Indian officials to secure power supply deals.

The Adani Group has denied the allegations, as well as those made in a parallel civil case by the

Credit rating blow to Adani

A member of the Indian Youth Congress (IYC) wearing a face cutout of Gautam Adani during a protest

U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, but news of the indictment has wiped \$34 billion off the value of shares in 10 companies owned by the Indian giant.

Adani stocks deepened losses on Tuesday, with Adani Green the hardest hit, closing 7.3% lower.

Fitch said in a statement it had placed Adani Energy Solutions Ltd, Adani Electricity Mumbai and some of Adani Ports and Special Economic Zone rupee and dollar bonds on "watch negative", signalling a heightened probability of a downgrade that could affect the price of Adani debt.

Adani Ports, India's largest private ports operator, owns 51% of a new container terminal project expected to begin operations next year in Sri Lanka's city of Colombo.

Sri Lanka's finance and foreign ministries were reviewing the allegations, cabinet spokesperson Nalinda Jayatissa told reporters on Tuesday, adding that the government would take a decision once the ministries had compiled their reports.

Fitch also downgraded its ratings on four Adani subsidiary senior unsecured dollar bonds

from stable to negative, saying it will monitor for any impact on the group's financial position and watch for "any material deterioration" in its funding, including rolling over credit lines, accessing new facilities and potentially a rise in the cost of its debt.

Business impact

Adani Green responded on Tuesday to TotalEnergies saying it would halt investments in Adani firms, saying there was no new financial commitment under discussion and that the French oil major's decision would not have any material impact on the company's operations or its growth plans.

Meanwhile, Adani Enterprises, Adani's flagship firm, and Singapore-based Wilmar International, will delay a proposed sale of at least 12% in their Adani Wilmar Indian food joint venture, Bloomberg News reported.

Adani and Wilmar did not immediately respond to a request for comment. Shares in the joint venture closed 2.3% lower.

One of Adani Group's main backers, Australia-listed investment firm GQG Partners said in a memo

Adani Energy Solutions Ltd, Adani Electricity Mumbai, some Adani Ports placed on 'watch negative'

—Fitch

to clients which was seen by Reuters that it not see the indictments having a material impact on Adani businesses.

Except for Adani Green, the group does not need to raise capital at this point, it added, although if Adani did need more funding, the indictment would limit its access to foreign capital.

Any negative actions by the Indian government could have meaningful implication for Adani, it added, though it believed the government would maintain support for Gautam Adani.

GQG bought shares worth \$1.87 billion in four Adani group companies last year, shortly after a short-seller's critical report sparked a stock rout.

GQG did not reply to a request for comment. —Reuters

IN BRIEF

DKS hints about Cabinet reshuffle being on cards

Amid speculation that a Cabinet reshuffle was on cards, Karnataka Deputy Chief Minister D K Shivakumar on Tuesday indicated about the possibility of such an exercise in the days ahead, as he noted that few ministers have been given a "message" about their term.

Shivakumar, who is also the state Congress president, hinted about it, as he referred to the term of office of panchayat chairman being fixed to two years with a message that they will have to demit office after that, and a similar message being given to some ministers too.

He, however, did not elaborate further. But, his comments are being seen as an indication about possible reshuffle in the days ahead.

"... before the President of India (while staking claim to form govt in 2004), she (Sonia Gandhi) said -- I don't want the prime minister post, and let an economist, a Sikh, Manmohan Singh become the prime minister, we have such history....we fix panchayat chairman tenure for an year or six months or two-and-half years, and when we have to make them vacate post after their tenure, (it is so difficult that) god should save us," Shivakumar said.

Addressing the Constitution day event organised by the party here, he said, "Now we have fixed the tenure of the chairmans' to two years. We have given that message to some ministers too. I don't want to discuss it now..."

Later, speaking to reporters, Shivakumar said he will be meeting party high command during his visit to Delhi later this week.

Asked about a high command reviewing the performance of ministers, he said, "I don't know about it, ask the chief minister, AICC general secretary. If I get to know, I will talk..."

To a question about remarks in his speech regarding messages to ministers indicating changes, Shivakumar said, "... (it's) at certain situations, not now, there is time for it, not urgent. We believe in sharing and caring."

There has been a demand from a section of MLAs, who are ministerial aspirants, to be inducted into the Cabinet. Some have openly expressed their wish to become ministers. —PTI

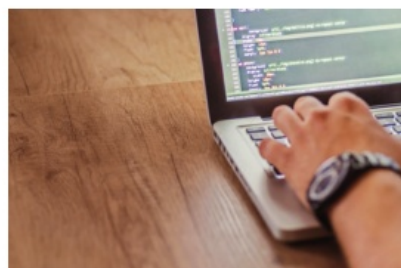
Single Window System software soon

Karnataka Minister for Large and Medium Industries, MB Patil, on Tuesday set a December deadline for all relevant departments to adopt the newly developed Single Window System software, which is scheduled for launch in January 2025.

The announcement was made during a meeting held at Vidhana Soudha.

In a statement, Patil noted that current procedures related to project approvals, industrial plot allotments, and CA plot allotments in industrial areas are often complex and multi-staged, resulting in delays. The new software, developed by Microsoft, aims to streamline and simplify these processes.

To expedite implementation, the Chief Secretary will soon convene a



meeting, Patil said.

He also assured that appropriate training would be provided to department staff to ensure effective use of the software.

Patil emphasised that the Single Window System will eliminate the need for investors to approach multiple departments for approvals, providing a

Industries Minister Patil sets Dec deadline for all depts to adopt newly developed software that will launch by Jan 2025

seamless process instead.

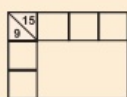
Highlighting the software's features, the minister said the system will be entirely online. Users will be able to access all relevant project details by entering their PAN or Aadhaar numbers, ensuring transparency and efficiency in operations. "When investors are ready with business proposals worth hundreds of crores, it is the government's responsibility to provide them with a hassle-free mechanism," Patil stated.

—PTI



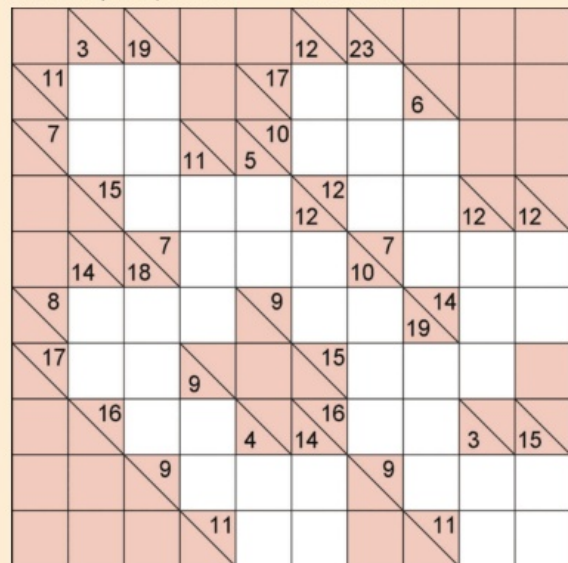
Kakuro

The numbers in the grey squares refer to the sums of the digits that you must fill into the empty spaces directly below or to the right of the grey square containing the number. For instance, in the given example, the 3 boxes horizontally next to 15 must contain 3 digits that add up to 15, whereas

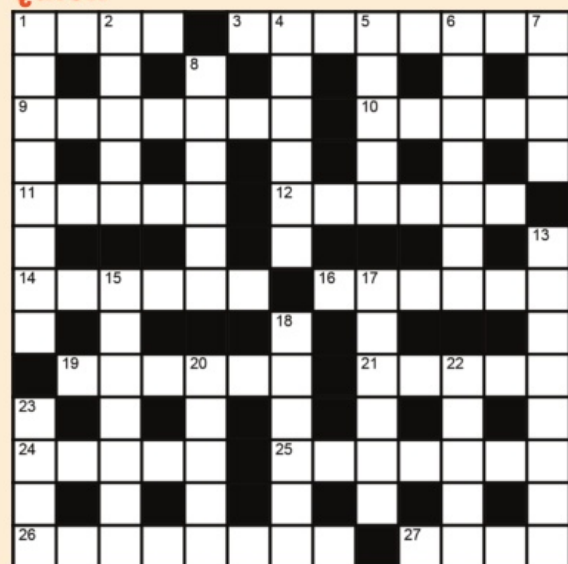


for 9, it is the 2 boxes placed vertically under it that must add up to 9. No zeros are used here, only the digits 1 through 9.

Note: A digit cannot appear more than once in any particular digit combination. For instance, in the example, we cannot have the combination of 4+7+4 for 15.



Quick



ACROSS

- 1 Entreat or beg (4)
- 3 Daring (8)
- 9 Attacking, striking or invading (7)
- 10 Thrust forward (5)
- 11 Having no vision (5)
- 12 Tumult or disturbance (6)
- 14 Obtain by compulsion (6)
- 16 Magnificent (6)
- 19 Calls off (6)
- 21 ___ ahead : progress rapidly? (5)
- 24 Lugs along (5)
- 25 Calamitous (7)
- 26 Broad view (8)
- 27 How a second-hand car may be described (4)

DOWN

- 1 Stories with morals? (8)
- 2 Legal defence (5)
- 4 City in centre of India (6)
- 5 Sovereign or king (5)
- 6 Tortilla or latke (7)
- 7 Attracted (4)
- 8 Dry matter used for kindling (6)
- 13 Overly concerned with (8)
- 15 Market near Brigade Road (7)
- 17 Inequitable (6)
- 18 Hindu hermitage (6)
- 20 Stairway part (5)
- 22 Plant parts (5)
- 23 Stride (4)

Quoteuncode

This puzzle is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that Q equals C, it will equal C throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

Today's CLUE: A EQUALS T
QA QI AWH IGHHA, IQJUDH
AWQTRI KP DQPH GWQZW EBH
AWH BHED KTHI EPAHB EDD.



Linemaro

Your doc told me your love is contagious



Mindchow

Happiness is an inside job. Don't leave it to others



Joke of the day

Q: If you were pregnant for two years, what would you give birth to?
A: Whatever it is, it would never be afraid of the dark

Loop

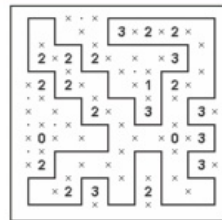
Rules

» Connect adjacent dots with vertical or horizontal lines, creating a single loop (Fig A). » Crossovers or branches are not allowed (As shown by dotted lines in Fig B). » Numbers in the puzzle indicate the number of lines that should surround it, while empty cells may be surrounded by any number of lines. » You can't draw lines around zeros. » Each puzzle has just one unique solution.

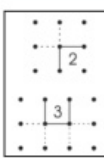
How to begin:

Example (Fig A) - Begin with the zero next to 3. Since no lines can be drawn around zero, mark crosses around it, as shown. Now there is a cross in one space around 3. So we know the three lines of 3 can only be drawn in the remaining three spaces. Next, these lines can only be extended in one direction each. Continue, using the same logic.

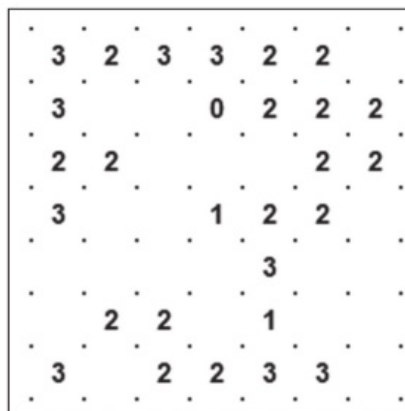
Hints: Keep eliminating possibilities by marking crosses in spaces between dots where a line isn't possible, i.e., if you have already completed required lines or where a line extension may create a branch or cause a dead-end (Fig B)



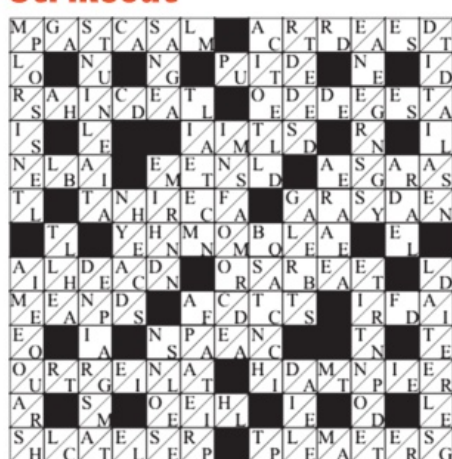
(Fig A)



(Fig B) Not Allowed



Strikeout



This crossword has no clues and the answer is there waiting for you. All you have to do is find it in each square. You have a choice of two letters, one of which you must strike out. If you choose correctly, you will be left with a grid that contains real words.

Fast five

How long do you think it will take you to unscramble the ten words shown below and fit them correctly into the grid in the order given one letter has already been entered to get you started? on your marks, get set...



ACROSS

- 1 To MPs; 6 Ree ie;
- 7 Stile; 8 Tents;
- 9 Say Ms

DOWN

- 1 Semis; 2 Taste;
- 3 Sorel; 4 Mines;
- 5 Type T

Mensapuzzle

Which letter completes the puzzle?



Bull's eye

How many words of four or more letters can you make from the letters shown? Every word must contain the central letter. There should be one seven-letter word. British English Dictionary is used as a reference.

05 Average; 06 Good; 08 Outstanding

SudokuChallenge



To solve a Sudoku puzzle, every digit from one to nine must appear in each of the nine vertical columns, in each of the nine horizontal rows and in each of the nine boxes.

Gofigure

Place the four numbers in the first, third, fifth, and seventh boxes and whatever operators you care to use in the second, fourth, and sixth boxes in the correct order to get the answer. Use the numbers only once.



Easy

□ □ □ □ □ = 6

2 5 6 7

Medium

□ □ □ □ □ = 12

5 8 8 9

Hard

□ □ □ □ □ = 7

3 7 7 7

Hocusfocus



Differences: 1. Cap is larger. 2. Stripe is missing. 3. Boy is moved. 4. Hole in tree is smaller. 5. Man's shirt is longer. 6. Fishing line is missing.

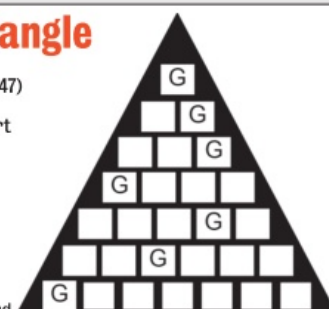
Riddler

During Santiago's violin lesson, Professor Arion suddenly said, "You really should play piano." Santiago kept on playing the violin. Finally, Professor Arion clapped his hands and said, "Good!" What change had Santiago made in his violin playing?

Alpha triangle

- 1 1000 colloquially
- 2 Atomic number (47)
- 3 Cleaning cloth
- 4 Transmission part
- 5 Big
- 6 Sock pattern
- 7 Solemnly

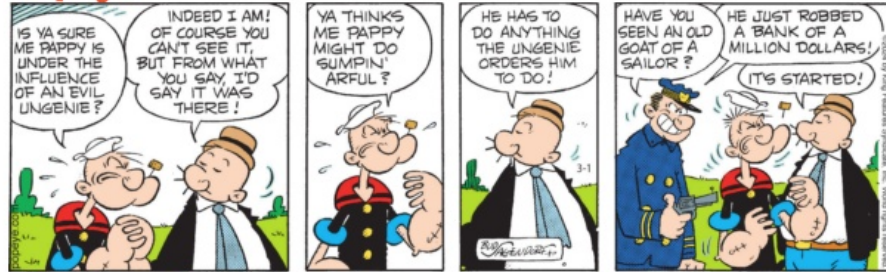
Beginning at the top move towards the bottom seven-letter word by adding a letter at each step and rearranging. A correct and different word must be



made at each step answering to the clue given.

COMICS

Popeye



Bizarrotrip



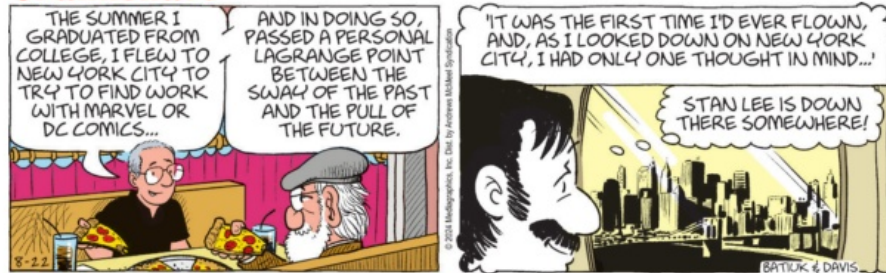
Diamond Lil



Hart of the city



Crankshaft



Mutts



WHAT YOUR STARS SAY TODAY

Aries Mar 21 - Apr 20

Today, you are blessed by your elders, which enhances your patience and focus at work. Your parents' health will likely improve, and you may spend quality time with them. You might meet an influential person who could assist you professionally. Romantic moments with your partner will bring increased harmony to your domestic life.



Leo Jul 24 - Aug 23

Today, you may find yourself in a phase of self-reflection, bringing renewed confidence. Your focus on your goals becomes clear, leading to success. Creativity will flourish, and you may take an interest in art, movies, glamour, and other real-life objects. By the end of the day, you will feel satisfied with your life, and your opponents will be under control.



Sagittarius Nov 23 - Dec 22

Today, you may be occupied with family matters and might need to make important domestic decisions. Avoid arguments in personal life, as arrogance could disrupt harmony. Trust your intuition before making business investments.



Taurus Apr 21 - May 20

Today, you may feel spiritually inclined and help those in need around you. You might plan to donate to charity or a religious place. Your good karma could lead to success in challenging projects. A sense of divine presence may support you in unpredictable situations. You may also find yourself drawn to occult subjects. Students are likely to enjoy delving into their studies.



Virgo Aug 24 - Sep 23

Today, you may use your creativity to renovate your home or office. While your focus on your goals is strong, overworking could lead to mental exhaustion, anxiety, and stress, potentially affecting your domestic life. Students are advised to avoid distractions and study with focus and dedication.



Capricorn Dec 23 - Jan 20

Today, your inner strength will help you bring innovative ideas to the work front. You are likely to secure a large order in your family business, boosting its growth. New responsibilities at work may keep you busy, and job seekers might find a promising opportunity. Improved understanding with your spouse will maintain harmony in family life.



Gemini May 21 - Jun 21

Today, you might feel dull and troubled by hidden fears that make you uneasy. Trusting others could be challenging. It is advised to meditate or chant prayers to help you overcome this hypothetical fear. With the blessings of elders, you may find relief from this unsettling state by late evening.



Libra Sep 24 - Oct 22

Today, dissatisfaction may arise as people around you seem uncooperative. Patience is crucial. Read all documents carefully before signing contracts, and avoid making unnecessary investments. Students should approach their studies with calm and concentration.



Aquarius Jan 21 - Feb 19

Today, you might feel dull and face health-related issues, such as anxiety and restlessness. It is advised to postpone significant business or real estate investments. Avoid rash driving and long-distance travel. Meditation could help you manage these challenges and restore calm.



Cancer Jun 22 - July 23

Today, you are likely to be busy at work, with your network expanding and helping you secure a significant business deal. You might initiate innovative ventures in partnership. Investments in your business could boost its growth shortly. Your emotional connection with your spouse may also improve, strengthening your relationship.



Scorpio Oct 23 - Nov 22

Today, you are likely to feel enthusiastic and focused, enabling you to accelerate delayed projects. Support from subordinates may help you start a new venture, which is likely to bring profits shortly. Short trips related to family matters are expected. Job seekers may receive positive news about employment opportunities.



Pisces Feb 20 - Mar 20

Today, blessings from elders may bring happiness. Your investments are likely to yield profits, turning losses into gains. Increased savings could boost your financial security, and you might plan for your children's future. You may enjoy delicious meals at home. Health issues related to your throat, teeth, ears, or nose are likely to improve.



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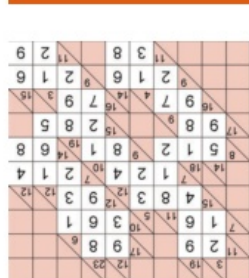
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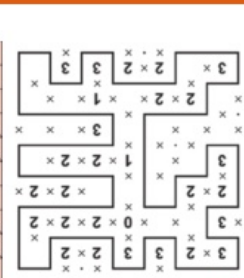
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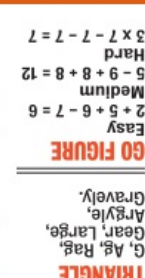
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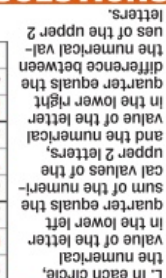
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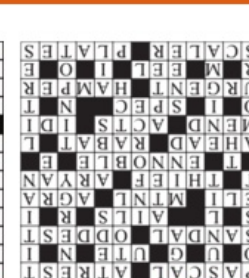
SUDOKU



MENSA PUZZLE



QUICK



STRIKE OUT



RIDDLER

It is the sweet, simple things of life which are the real ones after all.

QUOTE UNQUOTE

24/6 = 4

FAST FIVE

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SANDALWOOD SHOTS

Y MAHESWARA REDDY

Stage to screen

Ambali Bharathi, who hails from Kalaburagi, shared her excitement about her movie Naa Ninna Bidalaare that is scheduled to arrive in theaters on November 29. Ambali debuts as a heroine in Sandalwood with this.

"We worked hard and the movie has come out well. The climax scene was a miracle and memorable," said Ambali.

Ambali was active in cultural programmes during her school days and nourished an ambition to act in the movies. "After completing graduation (engineering), I got

a job at a multi-national company but later I quit and joined the theater under the guidance of Dr Shripad Bhat," she said.

She participated in Gandhi 150 - Ondu Ranga Payana, a drama.

"The drama was

performed at different locations across the state for six months. I earned Rs 1.50 lakh as an honorarium. I came to Bengaluru with the money in 2019 to try my luck in movies and attended many auditions," she said.



Ill-effects of alcohol

Choreographer-cum-director MR Srinivas known as Choreographer Kapil has been busy with the release of his latest movie Dasarahalli. The movie is based on a village named Dasarahalli (not the same as Dasarahalli in Bengaluru). The movie has got a UA certificate.

"I changed my name from Kapil to MR Srinivas as per the producer's advice. We consulted a numerologist to select a suitable name for me. I have worked as a choreographer for more than 160 movies in 25 years. I have also directed eight Kannada movies and some of them are scheduled for release shortly," said Srinivas.

The director said the movie is about incorrigible drunkards in the village. "The movie highlights the ill effects of alcohol and it narrates how drunkards are running their families. I got inspiration from real incidents to write the script. There are some villages where children are finding it difficult to pay school fees as their fathers spend all the money on liquor," the director said.

He said the movie was shot in and around Bengaluru and Shivamogga for 28 days. "Dharma Keerthiraj plays a social activist who dreams of making his village a model village.



MATTER OF TALENT

Kriti's views on nepotism: Success comes with talent

Actress Kriti Sanon has recently touched on the most discussed topic of nepotism in Bollywood by saying that talent is what matters to succeed. While attending the 55th International Film Festival in Goa, Kriti Sanon said that the film industry is not responsible for nepotism, whereas it's the audiences and the media that play a pivotal part in it.

Explaining further, she said that the audiences are willing to watch what the media is publishing about the star kids, and just because the audiences are interested in such, the industry steps on to make more movies with the so-called 'star-kids' Kriti said, "Because the audience is interested in them, the industry feels that since the audience is interested, let's make a movie with them. So I think it's a circle."

The actress also said that if one is talented, then he or she will be achieving success in the industry, and, "If you're not talented, and if the connection is not there with the audiences you will not get there." Explaining the struggles of an outsider who wishes to enter the film industry, Kriti said that it takes time for such actors to reach the goal they set. For them, even getting to magazine covers will take much time and everything feels like a bit of a struggle for the outsiders. Kriti added that if one keeps working hard even after 2 or three films, then nothing can stop them. —ETimes

"If a connection is not there with the audiences you will not get there"

Hope for indie films



Actor Shahana Goswami, who stars in the UK's official entry to Oscars 2025 "Santosh", is excited about the film's chances at the upcoming awards ceremony and hopes all the attention it is receiving globally boosts independent cinema at large.

"Santosh" marks the feature directorial debut of British-Indian filmmaker Sandhya Suri.

Goswami, known for her work in films such as "Rock On!!", "Firaq", "Tu Hai Mera

Sunday", and "Zwigato", said she has her fingers crossed for "Santosh" but one still has to wait and see.

"We're not going to the Oscars just yet. There is still due process left. But I'm just excited and happy that the film got the kind of a platform that it did, selected for something like this that is getting that opportunity to be viewed by so many people and be in the news. Every good independent film that comes out has to become a stepping stone for the next one.

"Essentially my excitement is for films like 'Santosh' being able to garner that value in the film industry and the film world globally, and then give hope for the fact that there are such films that could also have similar trajectories," the actor told PTI in an interview at Film Bazaar, which was held on the sidelines of the ongoing International Film Festival of India (IFFI) here.. —PTI



To mom & dad

Actress Rakul Preet Singh shared a heartfelt tribute to the two most important people in her life, her parents, whom she credits with teaching her the true meaning of love.

In a touching post, Rakul wished her parents, mother Rini Singh and father Kulvinder Singh, on their wedding anniversary, expressing her admiration and gratitude for the love they share. On Tuesday, the actress took to her Instagram handle and dropped a heartfelt video featuring her candid and happy moments with her parents.

Alongside it, Rakul wrote in the caption, "Happy anniversary to my pillars two people who showed me the meaning of love, mutual respect and partnership. Mommyyy and poppyyyy your journey together has shaped our lives in ways I can't even express. May your love continue to shine brightly forever n ever. Love you both so sooo much!! @rinisingh491 @kayjay.singh."

Wishing her in-laws, Rakul's husband and actor-producer Jacky Bhagnani posted a smiling photo of his father and mother-in-law, calling them the "most loving parents." —IANS

Charlize in Nolan's next

Actress Charlize Theron joined the cast of Christopher Nolan's upcoming movie, reported Variety.

She has joined the star-studded ensemble that include Matt Damon, Tom Holland, Anne Hathaway, Zendaya, Lupita Nyong'o and Robert Pattinson.

However, the plots are kept under wraps.

Universal has set the theatrical release date for the film for July 17, 2026, with a specific launch in Imaax auditoriums.

Theron has starred in several commercially successful action films, including The Italian Job (2003), Hancock (2008), Prometheus (2012), Mad Max: Fury Road (2015), The Fate of the Furious (2017), Atomic Blonde (2017), The Old Guard (2020), F9 (2021) and Fast X (2023). Though the film marks Nolan and Theron's first collaboration, Theron has starred in action-thriller 'Atomic Blonde', the 'Snow White and the Huntsman' films, 'A Million Ways to Die in the West', and as the villainous Cypher in installments of the 'Fast and Furious' franchise. —ANI

